

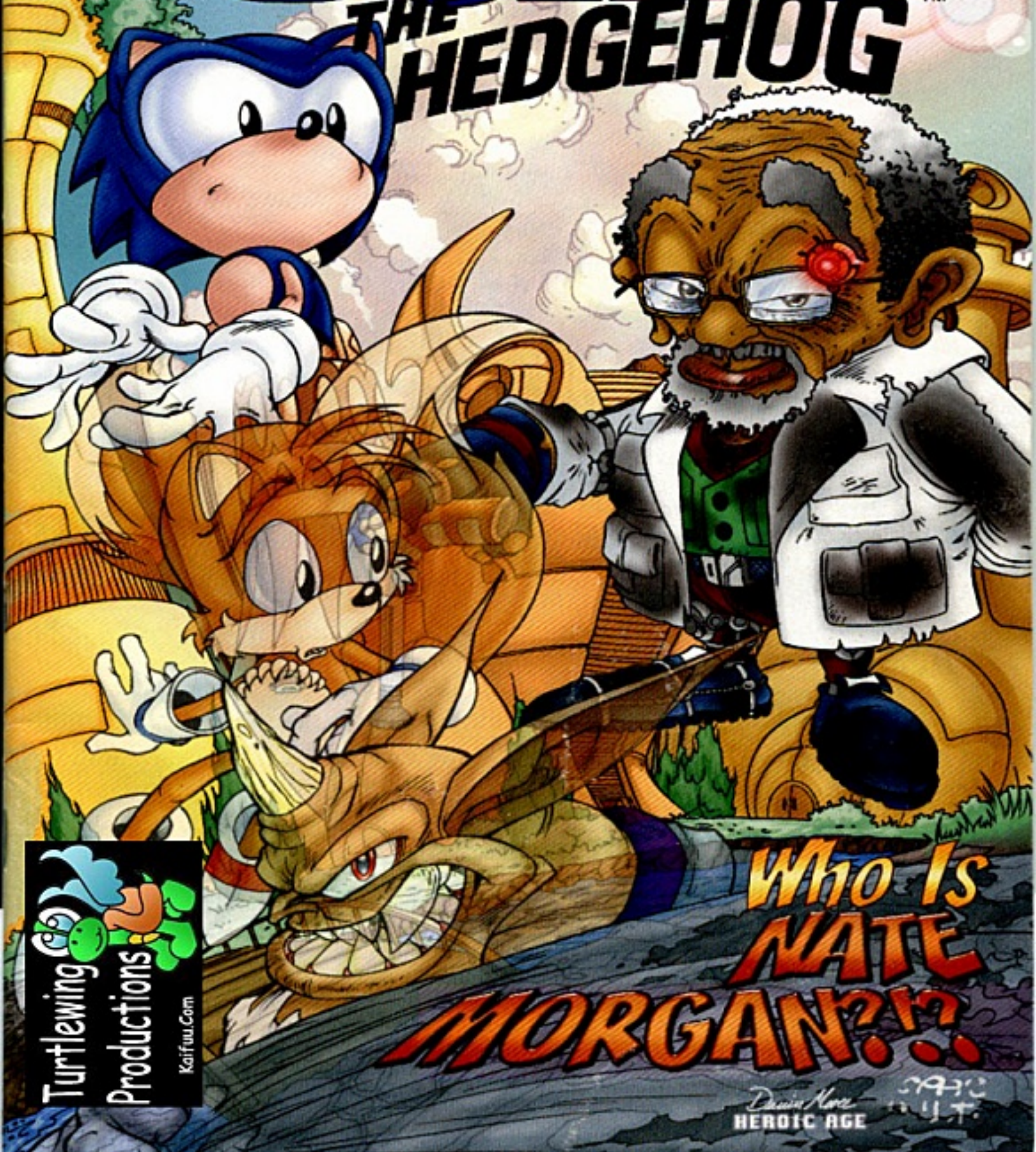
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**Who Is  
NATE  
MORGAN?!!**

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**THE PLANET MOBIUS WAS ONCE A VIRTUAL PARADISE UNTIL IT WAS CONQUERED BY THE EVIL DOCTOR ROBOTNIK! HIS TECHNOLOGICAL TYRANNY WOULD HAVE CONTINUED IF NOT FOR AN HEROIC GROUP OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS WHO BANDED TOGETHER AND RESTORED ORDER TO THE KINGDOM OF ACORN! THE BRAVEST AMONG THEM IS A BLUE STREAK FILLED WITH THE MOST ATTITUDE GOING AROUND - - AND, WITHOUT A DOUBT, HE IS THE FASTEST THING ALIVE! ARCHIE COMICS AND SEGA PRESENT... SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!**



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I GUESS IT WAS  
WISHFUL THINKING WHEN  
I ASSUMED YOU'D BEEN  
BURIED BY THAT AVALANCHE  
FOR GOOD!"

COME NOW, SONIC... DID  
YOU REALLY BELIEVE THAT  
SEVERAL TONS OF FALLING  
SNOW COULD AFFECT A  
SORCERER WHO, WITH A MERE  
GESTURE, CAN TURN HIS ENTIRE  
BODY TO EARTH, WIND, FIRE  
OR WATER?

NO, BUT THAT'S  
WHY IT'S CALLED  
'WISHFUL'  
THINKING!

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YOU AND YOUR MEASLY  
SIDEKICK HAVE CHASED ME ALL  
OVER MOBIUS AND I HAVE HAD  
ENOUGH OF YOUR MEDDLING,  
QUICKSTER!

I GIVE YOU ONE LAST  
CHANCE: GO BACK TO YOUR HOME  
IN MOBOTROPOLIS, LEAVE ME  
TO MY AFFAIRS AND ALL SHALL  
BE FORGIVEN!

YOU'RE IN  
NO POSITION TO  
GRANT ANYTHING  
TO ANYONE, IXIS  
--NOT UNTIL YOU  
TELL ME WHY  
YOU'VE BROUGHT  
YOUR BATTLES TO  
MY DOORSTEP!

"I AM THE ONE WHO HAS BEEN  
WRONGED IN THIS INSTANCE,  
NATE MORGAN! I WAS BROUGHT  
HERE AGAINST MY WILL BY YOUR  
FROSTY, FLEA-BITTEN FLUNKY--"

"--THE ABOMINABLE  
SNOW-BOT!"

RARGH!

YOU  
ALWAYS  
WERE A NO  
GOOD LIAR,  
IXIS!

YOU USED YOUR ELEMENTAL  
ABILITY TO STON YOURSELF  
AWAY IN EDDY'S FLAME  
THROWIN' CYBORG ARM!

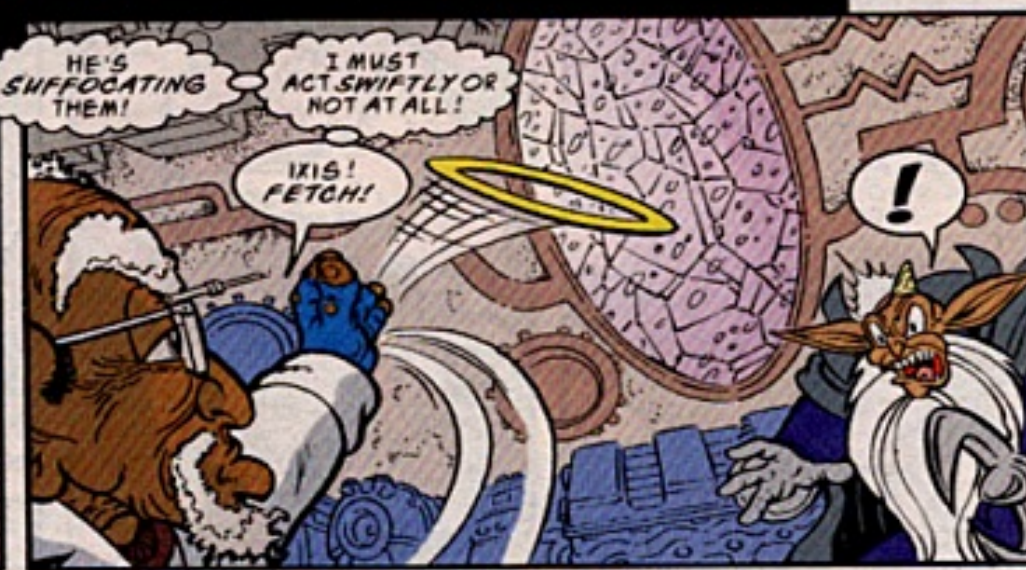
OTHERWISE, YOUR  
FOUL FORM WOULD NEVER  
HAVE GOTTEN PAST THE  
MYSTICAL WARDS\* PLACED  
AROUND MY FORTRESS TO  
KEEP OUT BEINGS SUCH  
AS YOURSELF!

\*defenses - JF6

SAY, TAILS...  
HONZABOUT NE  
DO WHAT WE  
CAME HERE  
FOR?

YOU MEAN  
KICKIN' IXIS'  
BUTT THE WAY  
IT WAS MEANT  
TO BE, SONIC?  
I'M THERE!



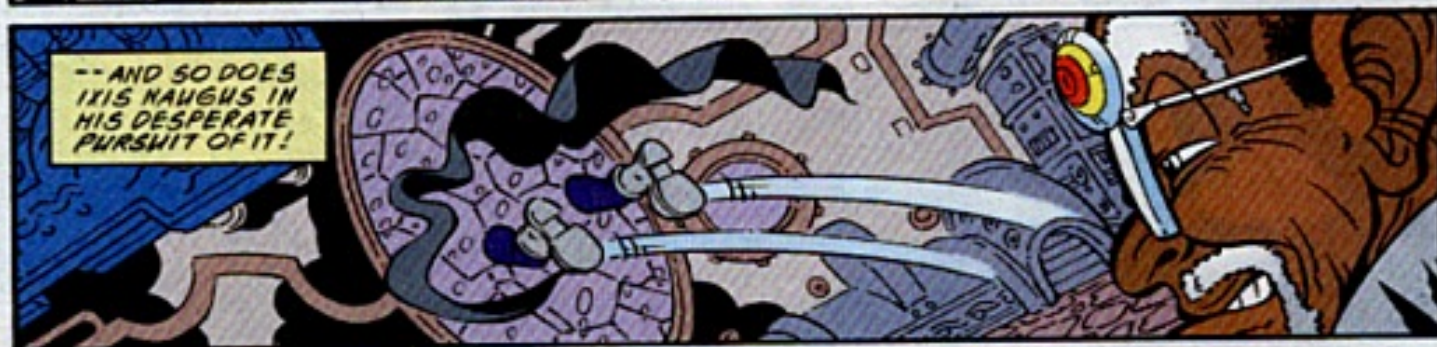




THE LOBBED, OVAL-SHAPED OBJECT PASSES THROUGH THE STAINED GLASS WINDOW AS EASILY AS A PEBBLE THROUGH A POND--



-- AND SO DOES IXIS NAUGHS IN HIS DESPERATE PURSUIT OF IT!



WHOA! I FEEL SO LIGHTHEADED... WHAT'D THAT HORN-HEADED HELL DO?

STEADY NOW...



YOU GOT RID OF IXIS!

ONLY TEMPORARILY...

STILL, IT WAS AN AWESOME MOVE FOR AN ANCIENT OVER-LANDER. WE STARTED TO BLACK OUT AND MISSED EVERYTHIN'! HOW'D YOU DO IT, DUDE?



I'VE GOT A FEW TRICKS OF MY OWN...

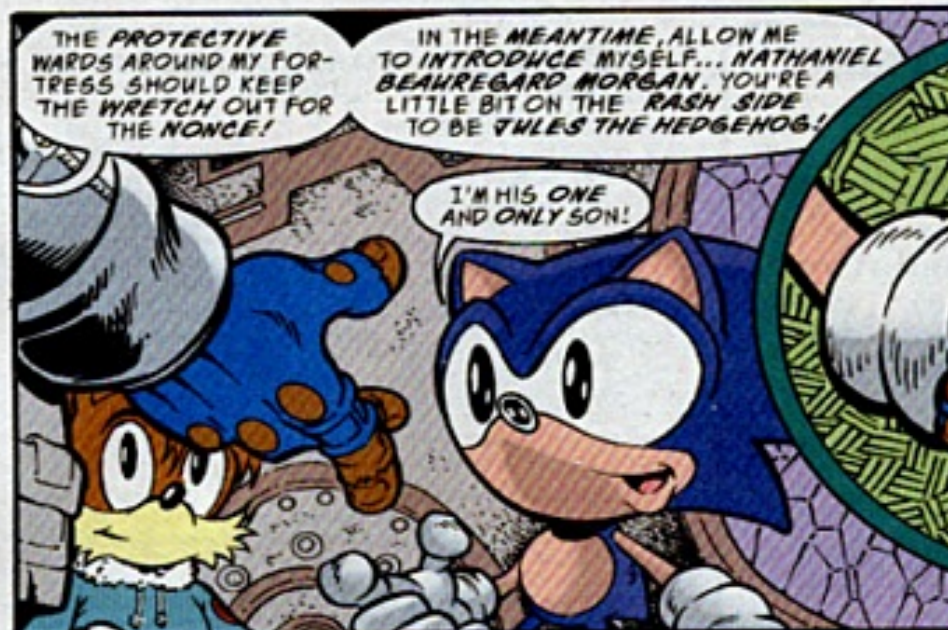


"...AS I'LL WAGER IXIS IS NOW FINDING OUT!"

A HOLOGRAM?! CURSE YOU, MORGAN!







THIS IS MILES PROWER, MY BEST BUD IN THE WHOLE WORLD, BUT WE ALL CALL HIM 'TAILS'!

I WANNA APOLOGIZE FOR THINKIN' YOUR BIG FRIEND WAS ON IXIS' SIDE EARLIER!"

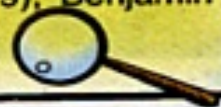
WHO-- EDDY? HE'S LOYAL TO ME AND NO ONE ELSE!





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"ONCE UPON A TIME, I WAS AN UNKNOWN GEO-PHYSICIAN WHO HEADED AN UNDERGROUND TEAM OF SCIENTISTS TOILING AWAY IN THE HEART OF THE OVERLAND CITY OF MEGAPOLIS!"

"AND WHAT WAS IT THAT DEMANDED OUR ATTENTION EVERY DAY AND EVERY NIGHT?"

"WHAT INDEED?"

"ALL SEEMED IN READINESS -- IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A VIABLE ALTERNATIVE TO THE FOSSIL FUELS THAT HAD BEEN POLLUTING THE COUNTRY-SIDE AROUND US ALL FOR YEARS!"

"BUT, STILL, SOMETHING NAGGED AT ME TO WAIT BEFORE TESTING. MY ASSISTANT -- JULIAN KINTOBOR OF THE HOUSE OF IVO, A BRILLIANT YOUNG MAN WITH UNLIMITED POTENTIAL -- ASSURED ME THAT HE HAD CHECKED ALL THE CALIBRATIONS TO THE TEE."

"HE TOLD ME TO SEIZE THE DAY."

"HEAVEN HELP ME... I DID."

THOOM

"I SEIZED THE DAY... AND WAS SOON AFTER, SEIZED BY THE AUTHORITIES."

SEDITION. NEGLIGENCE. ENDANGERING PUBLIC LIVES. NOISE POLLUTION. THE LIST OF CRIMES WENT ON...



"IT WAS DECIDED THAT SINCE THERE WAS NO LOSS OF LIFE, I WAS TO BE BANISHED FROM OVERLAND FOREVER. ONLY FOREVER...

"IF I SURVIVED MY TREK THROUGH THE BADLANDS I RESOLVED MYSELF TO BEING KILLED BY THE ANTHROPOMORPHIC MOBIANS WHO OFTEN COME INTO CONFLICT WITH MY KIND.



"AS WITH JULIAN BEFORE I MADE A GROSS ERROR IN JUDGMENT.

"AND ALTHOUGH IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EASIER TO MEET ME WITH DISTRUST AS HIS ROYAL GUARD DID...

"...KING FREDERIC ACORN DID JUST THE OPPOSITE...



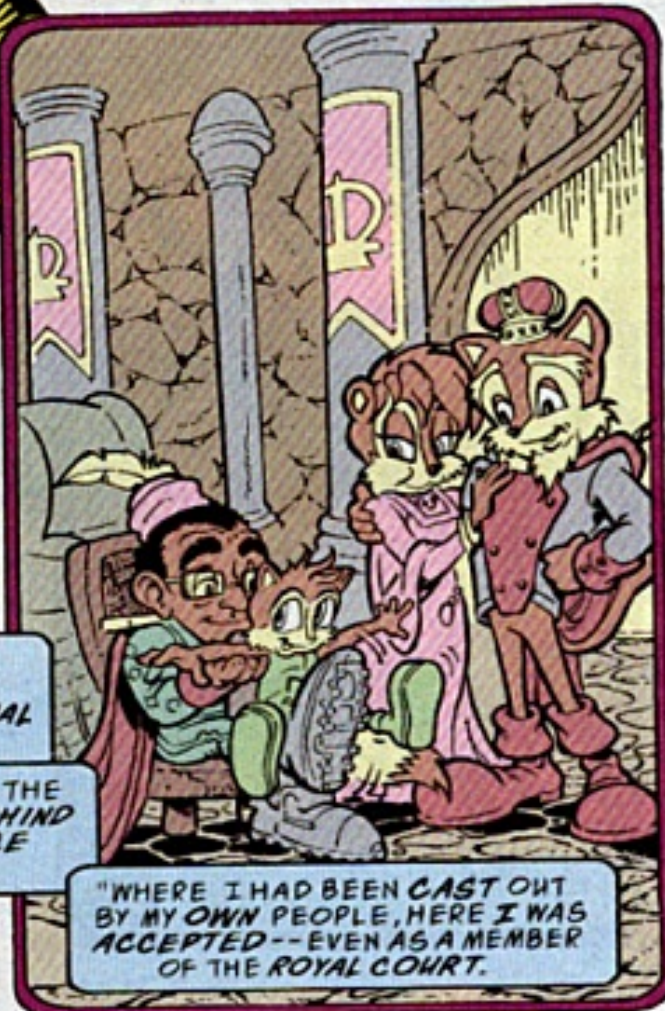
"...AND, INSTEAD EXTENDED HIS HAND IN FRIENDSHIP.



"THE KINGDOM OF ACORN WAS VERY DIFFERENT BACK THEN. UNLIKE WE OVERLANDERS, YOU MOBIANS BELIEVED IN THE PRESERVATION OF NATURE.

"IT WAS THE SAME REASON WHY THE KINGDOM HAD REMAINED IN A PRE-INDUSTRIAL STATE.

"WITH THE AWFUL MEMORY OF THE ACCIDENT IN OVERLAND CITY BEHIND ME, I FELT ONCE MORE AT PEACE WITH MYSELF.



"WHERE I HAD BEEN CAST OUT BY MY OWN PEOPLE, HERE I WAS ACCEPTED -- EVEN AS A MEMBER OF THE ROYAL COURT.



"I RESUMED MY WORK  
WITH NEW VIGOR AND  
NOW I FINALLY HAD  
THE NECESSARY COM-  
PONENT TO SAFELY  
COMPLETE MY TEST--



"--THE POWER LOCKED  
WITHIN A CHAOS EMERALD!

"ITS INNATE ENERGIES  
ALLOWED THE NEW, CLEAN  
AIR POWER SOURCE I HAD  
BEEN TRYING TO PERFECT FOR  
YEARS BEFORE TO COME TO  
FRUITION.



"WITH THE LEGENDARY GEM PROVIDED BY  
KING FREDERIC AND MY OWN POWER RINGS  
AS A CONDUIT FOR ITS AWESOME FORCES...

"...THE KINGDOM OF ACORN QUICKLY  
ADVANCED INTO A TECHNOLOGICAL  
GOLDEN AGE AND THE CITY OF  
MOBOTROPOLIS WAS BUILT IN  
COMMEMORATION.



"WHERE THERE WERE FOUR NATURAL  
ELEMENTS ON PLANET MOBIUS,  
THERE WERE NOW FIVE: EARTH, WIND,  
FIRE, WATER--

"--AND THE  
POWER RING!



"I WAS HAILED AS A HERO  
BY THE POPPLAGE...



"AND LATER WATCHED WITH  
PRIDE AS YOUNG PRINCE  
MAXIMILLIAN ACCEPTED  
THE SOVEREIGN MANTLE  
FROM HIS AGING SIRE."



"NOW THE ENVIRONMENTAL RING-MAKER, I SPENT MY TIME HONING THE FINEST YOUNG MINDS IN THE KINGDOM."

"ALL WAS WELL AT LAST..."

"...OR SO I HAD FOOLISHLY BELIEVED."

"KING MAX HAD CERTAIN... ADVISORS WHO FELT THREATENED BY MY PRESENCE IN MOBOTROPOLIS"

"WHEN ONE OF THEM, THE ROYAL WIZARD, IXIS NAUGHTS COULD NOT CONVINCE THE YOUNG MONARCH OF MY ALLEGED TRAITOROUS NATURE..."

"I SEEM TO RECALL HAVING YOUR FATHER AND HIS BROTHER, CHARLES AS TWO OF MY FINEST STUDENTS, SONIC."

"...HE SOUGHT OUT OTHER ALLIES. GENERAL KODOS, HATED OVERLANDERS MORE THAN ANYONE IN MOBOTROPOLIS."

"FOR IXIS, WINNING HIM OVER WAS CHILD'S PLAY!"

"IXIS SET ABOUT THEIR SCHEME--"

-- ONE THAT WOULD INVOLVE CONTROLLING THE ALREADY STRAINED EMOTIONS OF A LOST CONTINGENT OF OVERLANDER GROUND TROOPS!"



"DID IXIS KNOW THAT KODOS, HIS TROOPS, AND MYSELF WOULD RUN INTO THE LOST SOLDIERS WHILE PERFORMING AN ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEY OF THE GREAT FOREST?"

"DID KODOS?"

"IT WAS CERTAINLY ODD THAT HIS ARMED TROOPS SHOULD CHOOSE TO ACCOMPANY ME ON THIS OCCASION..."

"MY PEOPLE AREN'T KNOWN FOR TRYING TO SETTLE ARGUMENTS PEACEFULLY..."

"...AND, WELL, NEITHER ARE YOURS!"

"YOU CAN GUESS WHAT HAPPENED!"





"THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF THE BATTLE MUST HAVE BEEN HEARD AS FAR AWAY AS CASTLE ACORN..."



"...BECAUSE THE NEXT THING I RECALL WAS SEEING KING MAX, DOCTOR HORATIO QUACK, AND A TEAM OF MEDICS COMING THROUGH THE SMOKE."

"THAT WAS THE LAST TIME I WAS GLAD TO SEE A MOBIAN!"

"FROM HIS BEDSIDE, THE WOUNDED KODOS TOLD THE KING THAT IT WAS I WHO REVEALED THE LOCATION OF THE KINGDOM TO THE OVERLANDERS."



"KING MAX AND QUEEN ALICIA WERE TORN-- I HAD BOUNCED HIM ON MY KNEE WHEN HE WAS LITTLE..."

"IXIS WAS QUICK TO BACK HIM UP IN HIS LIES!"



"...BUT THAT DIDN'T BELIE THE FACT THAT KODOS AND I WERE THE ONLY SURVIVORS OF THE SKIRMISH. IT WAS A TERRIBLE DAY..."



"I WOULD BEAR SCARS, INNER AND OUTER FROM THOSE EVENTS."

"I EXILED MYSELF THIS TIME-- I HAD CAUSED ENOUGH PROBLEMS FOR OVERLANDER AND MOBIAN ALIKE!"

"YES...IT WAS A TERRIBLE DAY FOR US ALL..."



"I HADN'T GONE VERY FAR IN MY TRAVELS WHEN I, BY PURE ACCIDENT, STUMBLED DOWN THE HOLLOW STUMP OF A ONCE PROUD OAK...

"...AND FOUND MYSELF IN AN UNDERGROUND GROTTO LEADING TO A HIDDEN VALLEY NEATLY TUCKED AWAY BENEATH THE THICK EXPANSE OF UNDERBRUSH.

"I COULD HAVE LIVED OUT THE REST OF MY DAYS IN THAT IDYLIC SETTING...

"...BUT I DIDN'T. HOWEVER, BEFORE MAKING MY WAY BACK UP THROUGH THAT SUBTLE KNOTHOLE IN THE FOREST FLOOR, I LEFT A MOMENTO WITHIN MY LOST WORLD.

"THE RING TECHNOLOGY WAS TOO POWERFUL A FORCE -- BEINGS LIKE IXIS AND KODOS WOULD SEEK TO EXPLOIT IT FOR THEIR OWN SELFISH PURPOSES.

"SO, I DROPPED THE RING-FORGE INTO A DEEP, MURKY LAKE WHERE NO ONE WOULD EVER FIND IT.

"FOR MANY SEASONS I TRUDGED ONWARD UNTIL I CAME TO THE SNOWY WASTELANDS OF THE SOUTHERN TUNDRA.

"DID YOU KNOW THAT THE TEMPERATURE HERE, AT THE BOTTOM OF THE WORLD, ALWAYS REMAINS BELOW ZERO DEGREES FAHRENHEIT? I HAD BECOME SO NUMB FROM THE PAIN OF MY PAST THAT I HARDLY FELT IT.

ROWRGH!

"BUT WAS I NUMB ENOUGH?

"AMONG THE OVERLANDERS, THERE HAD BEEN WHISPERS OF MNTATES THAT HAD BEEN CREATED AS A RESULT OF THE 'DAYS OF FURY' THAT OCCURRED CENTURIES PAST.

"THERE WAS NO DOUBT IN MY MIND THAT THE SNOW-BEAST TRAPPED BENEATH THE FALLEN AVALANCHE WAS SUCH A CREATURE...

"...BUT TO HEAR ITS ANGUISHED VOICE ... TO SEE ITS PLEADING EYES CONFIRMED TO ME THAT PAIN WAS REAL TO IT AS IT WAS TO ANY MOBIAN OR OVERLANDER.

"BUT I HAD SWORN TO NEVER INVOLVE MYSELF IN THE AFFAIRS OF EITHER GROWR...

"...HADN'T I?"

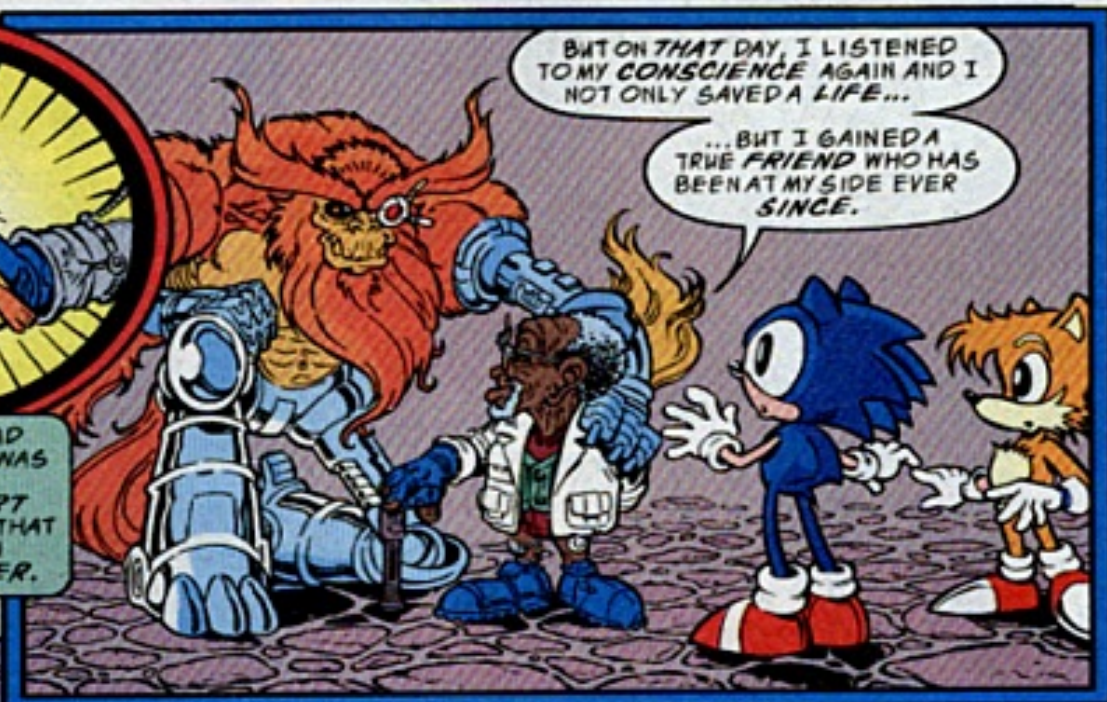




"MY ONE WEAKNESS HAD ALWAYS BEEN THAT I WAS A SCIENTIST WHO FOLLOWED HIS HEART AND NOT HIS BRAIN; THAT CHOICE WOULD OFTEN LEAD ME INTO DISASTER."

BUT ON THAT DAY, I LISTENED TO MY CONSCIENCE AGAIN AND I NOT ONLY SAVED A LIFE...

...BUT I GAINED A TRUE FRIEND WHO HAS BEEN AT MY SIDE EVER SINCE.



"WE BUILT THIS CASTLE-- OUR HOME -- FLAGSTONE BY FLAGSTONE AND LIVED HERE IN PEACE UNTIL IXIS TRIED TO BREACH ITS MYSTICAL DEFENSES EARLIER!"

DON'T YOU GET IT, NATE? YOU'RE THE ANSWER TO A WHOLE MESS O' RIDDLES WE'VE BEEN ASKIN' OURSELVES FOR YEARS!

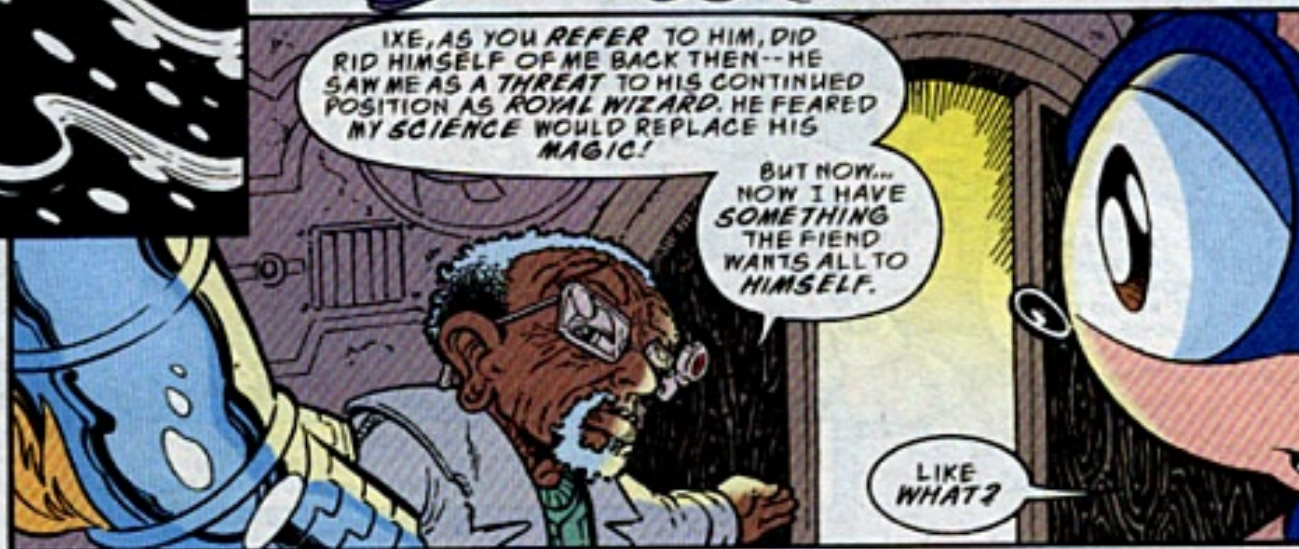
BUT IT DOESN'T EXPLAIN WHY IXE WOULD COME ALL THE WAY HERE GUNNIN' (OR MAGIC WANDIN') FOR YOU NOW! AFTER ALL, DIDN'T HE GET YOU OUTTA THE PICTURE YEARS AGO?



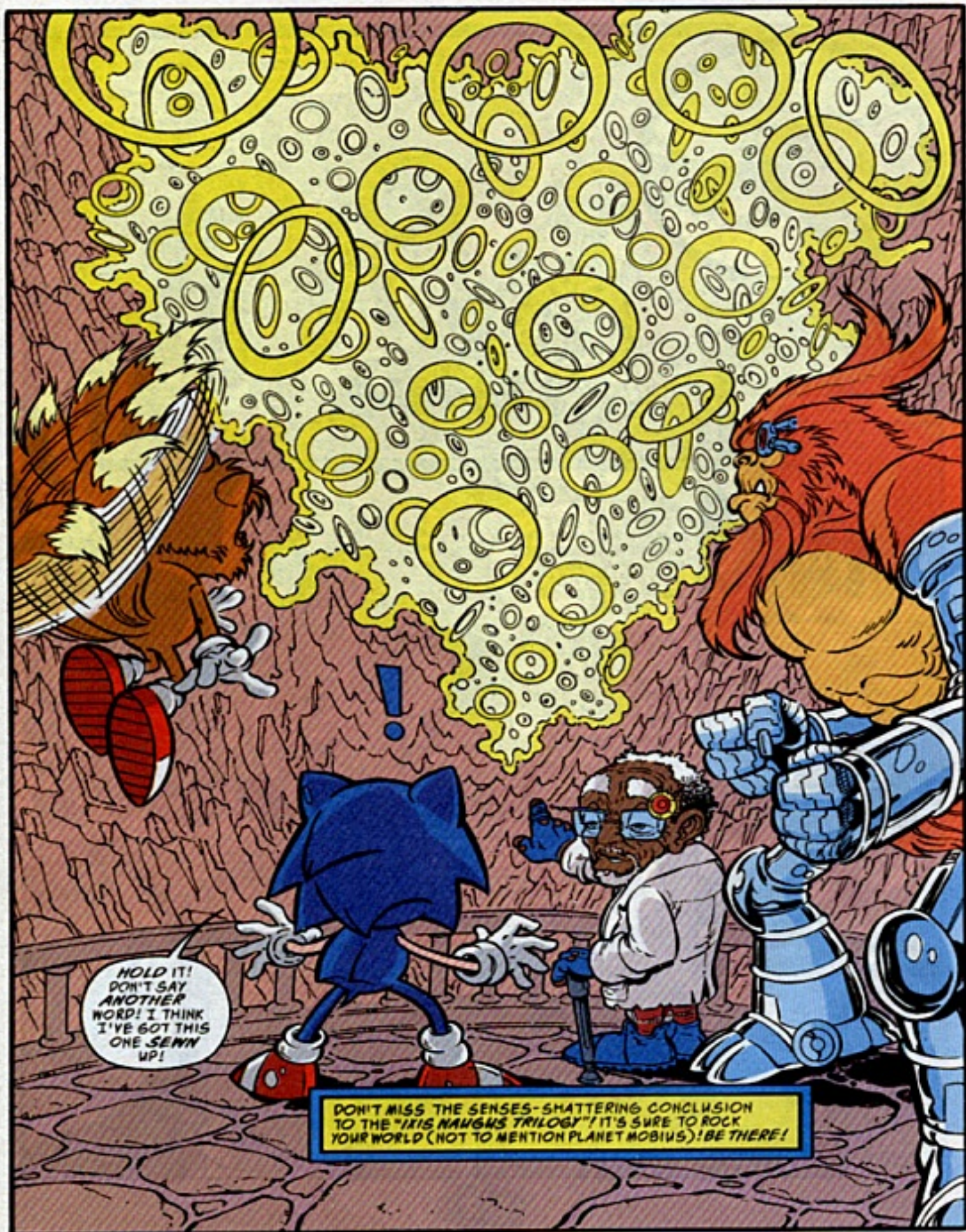
IXE, AS YOU REFER TO HIM, DID RID HIMSELF OF ME BACK THEN-- HE SAW ME AS A THREAT TO HIS CONTINUED POSITION AS ROYAL WIZARD. HE FEARED MY SCIENCE WOULD REPLACE HIS MAGIC!

BUT NOW... NOW I HAVE SOMETHING THE FIEND WANTS ALL TO HIMSELF.

LIKE WHAT?









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AMY ROSE & DULCY  
THE DRAGON IN:  
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SOMEWHERE INSIDE A BUILDING  
NOT TOO FAR FROM WHAT USED  
TO BE ROBOTNIK'S COMMAND  
CENTER...

AMY ROSE!  
AMY ROSE!

IN HERE,  
DULCY!

WAIT! I'LL  
YOU SEE  
WHAT I  
FOUND!

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TO, AMY--

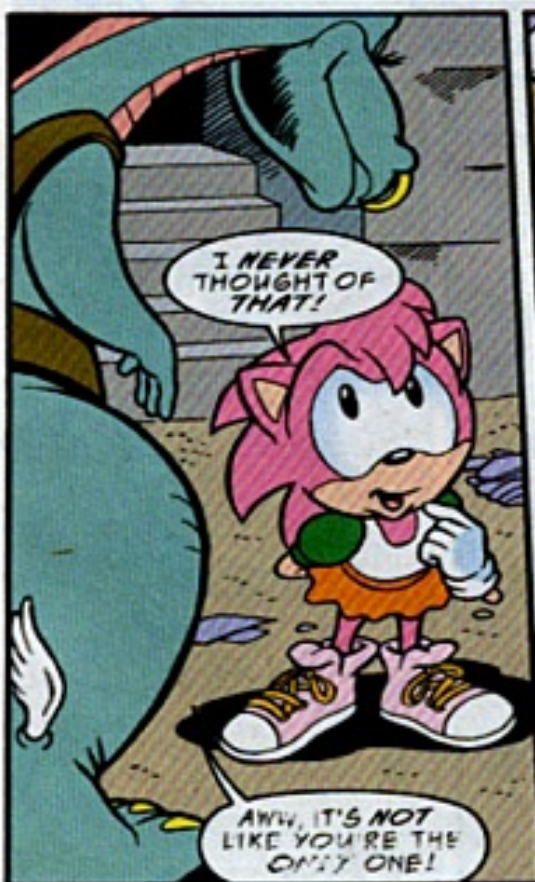
-- BUT I'M AFRAID  
THERE'S MORE OF ME  
THAN THERE IS ROOM  
INSIDE!

OH, I'M  
SORRY,  
DULCY!

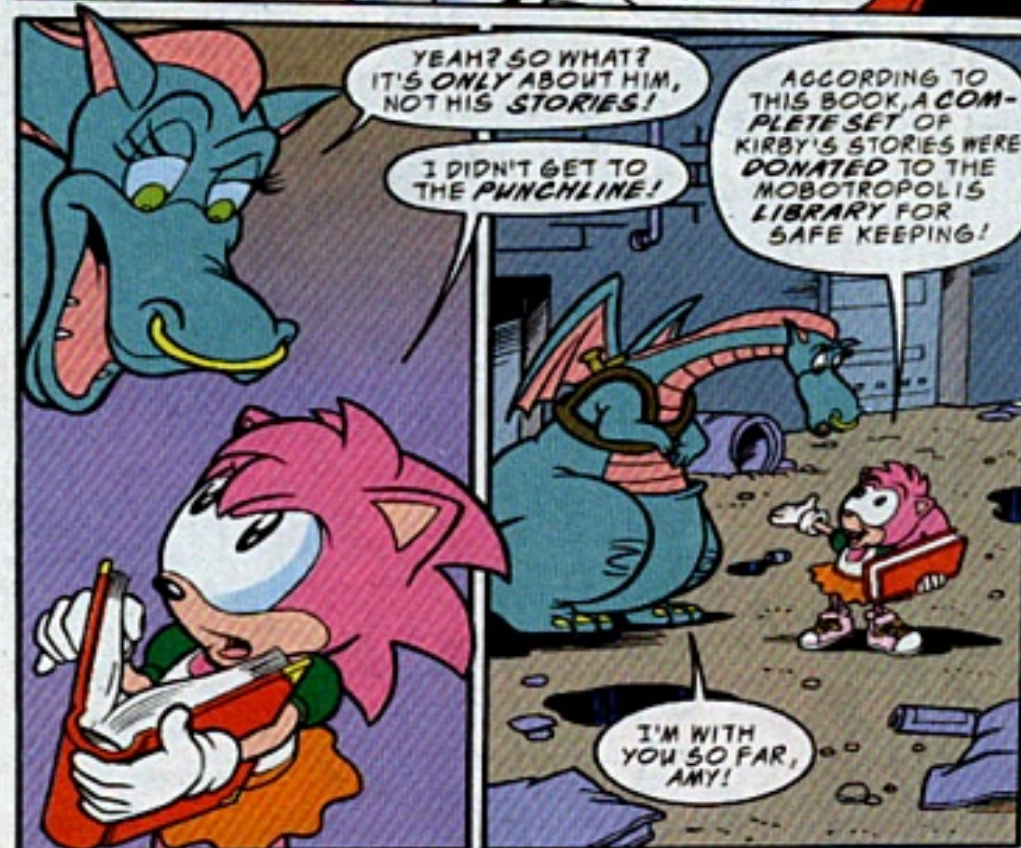
TELL YOU  
WHAT--

I'LL RACE  
YOU DOWNSTAIRS!  
THIS YOU JUST  
GOTTA SEE!





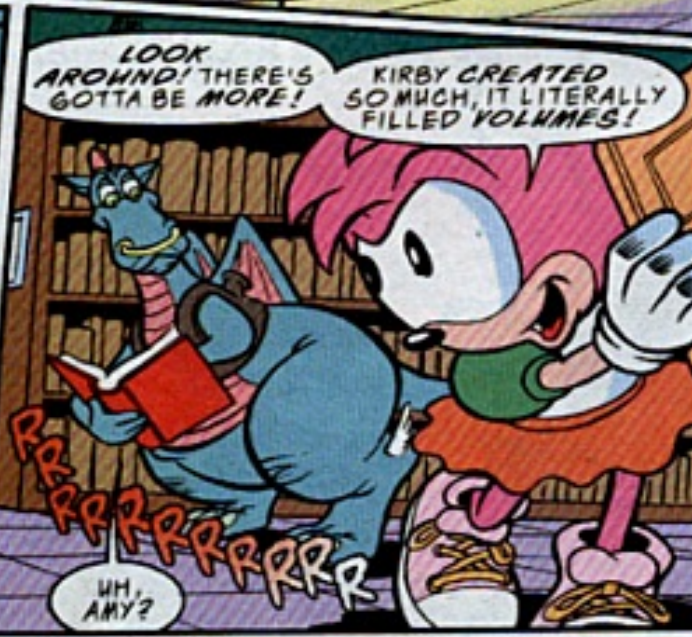
















THE FULL STORY IS RARELY EVER TOLD, WITH MANY LAYERS UPON LAYERS, WAITING TO BE PEELED AWAY! THERE ARE MANY SECRETS WAITING TO BE EXPLORED IN MOBOTROPOLIS, THE LIBRARY BEING ONLY ONE OF THEM! NEXT ISSUE, HOWEVER, OUR ATTENTION TURNS TO...

## THE ORIGIN OF IXIS NAUGUS!



# SONIC-GRAMS

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## THIS JUST IN! NAUGUS SUPREME!



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HEDGEHOG #66  
ON SALE OCT. 1998!

**NEXT MONTH:** THE CONCLUSION TO THE NAUGUS TRILOGY HAS IT ALL! IXIS PLANS TO HARNESS THE POWER RINGS IN NATE MORGAN'S FORTRESS TO MERGE THE ZONE OF SILENCE (WHERE HE IS OMNIPOTENT) WITH MOBIUS. SONIC, TAILS, NATE AND EDDY TEAM UP TO STOP THE SORCEROR'S EVIL PLANS. BUT A HEAVY PRICE WILL BE PAID THAT WILL CHANGE THE COURSE OF THE FUTURE. STORY BY KARL BOLLERS WITH ART BY STEVEN BUTLER AND PAM EKLUND. ALSO: THE ORIGIN OF IXIS NAUGUS! 'WUFF SADDY' BY KARL BOLLERS, STEVEN BUTLER AND ANDREW PEPOY. SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #66 ON SALE OCTOBER 1998!

**IN OTHER MOBIAN NEWS...**

**IN ONE WEEK:** YOU EVER ASK THE QUESTION: "WHATEVER HAPPENED TO QUEEN ALICIA?" WELL, ASK NO MORE BECAUSE THE ANSWER WILL BE REVEALED. IN THE FIRST OF THREE PARTS, ST.

JOHN AND HIS CRACK TEAM OF COMMANDOS

INFILTRATE THE FLOATING ISLAND. NOT ONLY DO THEY ENTER KNUCKLES' DOMAIN AT GREAT RISK, BUT THEY FIND THEMSELVES HIP DEEP IN A BLIZZARD THAT THREATENS THE VERY ENVIRONMENT. (NOTE: FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DO NOT READ KNUCKLES, NOT TO WORRY, ALL WILL BE EXPLAINED IN DUE TIME.) WRITTEN BY KEN PENDERS. ART BY MANNY GALAN AND ANDREW PEPOY. KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #19 ON SALE OCTOBER 1998!

**AND IN TWO WEEKS:** SONIC, KNUCKLES AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS MEET THE HEROES OF IMAGE COMICS! NO, IT'S NOT A DREAM, NOR A HOAX, NOR AN IMAGINARY STORY! THE TRUTH IS NOT ONLY OUT THERE — IT'S WAY OUT THERE AS THE MASTER EMERALD, THE POWER SOURCE THAT MAINTAINS THE FLOATING ISLAND'S PLACE IN THE SKY, IS STOLEN BY A MYSTERIOUS ENEMY. SONIC AND THE GANG HIT THE COSMIC



KNUCKLES  
THE ECHIDNA #19  
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SONIC  
SUPER SPECIAL #7  
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INTERSTATE IN SEARCH OF THE PRICELESS GEM. WHERE THEY WIND UP IS A WORLD UNLIKE ANY THEY'VE SEEN BEFORE AS THEY FIND THEMSELVES IN THE MEAN STREETS OF NEW YORK CITY AND BEYOND, TEAMING UP WITH AN ASSORTMENT OF HEADS SUCH AS SHADOWHAWK, THE SAVAGE DRAGON, THE MAXX AND OTHERS IN AN EFFORT TO RESTORE THINGS TO THE WAY THEY USED TO BE. CAN THEY DO IT OR WILL THE BAD GUYS WIN OUT IN THIS 48-PAGE EPIC ADVENTURE? TRUST NO ONE BUT THE CREATIVE TEAM OF KEN PENDERS AND JIM VALENTINO FOR THE ANSWERS TO THIS ONE! SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #7 ON SALE OCTOBER 1998!

P.S.: AS MENTIONED IN SONIC #59, THE FIRST TEN FANS TO TELL US WHAT ISSUE AL & CAL MADE A BRIEF APPEARANCE (WE CHOSE FIVE E-MAILS AND FIVE SNAIL MAILS, TO BE FAIR) WOULD GET SPECIAL MENTION AS THE "TRUE BLUE CREW!" THEY ARE: J. WEEKLEY, JONAH CHERRY, DAVID BOWDEN, JON PICKENS, TIMOTHY PITTS, BRIAN GILLETTE, JOSH LEHMAN, JUSTIN SCHMALZRIED, SOREN LUDWIG AND CHRIS CURRIEN. (THE ANSWER, BY THE WAY, IT WAS SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #4.)

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#65

CATCH YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE!

JUSTIN  
FREDDY  
GABRIE



**NOW IT'S TIME TO DISCUSS SONIC  
#59 & SONIC #60 ...**

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

HI, I'M WRITING TO TELL YOU HOW MUCH I ENJOYED ISSUE #59. I REALLY LOVED THE PART WITH AL AND CAL. I HAVE ONE QUESTION REGARDING A PAST ISSUE, THOUGH: HOW COME IN #58 DR. QUACK WAS CALLED "HORATIO" BUT IN #49 HIS WIFE CALLED HIM "QUENTIN"? IS THE KING LOSING IT AGAIN?

ERICA MUDD (AGE 12)  
LAPLATA, MD

THANKS, ERICA. NO, THE KING IS NOT LOSING IT. DR. QUACK'S FULL NAME IS HORATIO QUENTIN QUACK. HIS WIFE IS THE ONLY ONE WHO REFERS TO HIM BY HIS MIDDLE NAME, THOUGH.

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

HOW DID VERTI-CAL AND HORIZONTAL MAKE WAR SUITS FOR THEMSELVES, WHEN THEY WERE JUST PHOTO-PLASM GOOP?

RYAN ARNOLD (AGE 13)  
GLADSTONE, OR

WELL, RYAN, AL AND CAL ARE OMNIPOTENT AND ALL-POWERFUL BEINGS IN THEIR DIMENSION. THEY WERE ABLE TO CREATE THEIR OWN BODIES AND MAKE THEIR DIMENSIONAL VOID HOWEVER THEY WANTED IT TO BE.

DEAR SONIC,

WHEN IS YOUR BIRTHDAY?  
STEVEN BRADFORD  
NEWPORT NEWS, VA

IT'S INTERESTING THAT YOU ASK THAT BECAUSE IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #68, THERE SHOULD BE A CELEBRATION FOR SONIC'S BIRTHDAY. YOU, AND ALL OF THE OTHER FANS ARE INVITED.

DEAR SALLY,

IN THE ISSUE WITH MONKEY KAHN, THERE WAS A SALLY BACK-UP STORY AND I HAVE JUST ONE QUESTION: WHAT'S THE KING'S PROBLEM? HE HAS NO RIGHT TO TELL YOU WHO YOU WILL MARRY; YOU'RE HIS DAUGHTER, NOT HIS SLAVE! AND HIS CHOICE FOR A HUSBAND BEING ANTOINE, A DONKEY LITTLE COWARD WITH A BIG EGO, TAILS WOULD'VE BEEN A BETTER CHOICE. THE KING MAY HAVE BEEN TRAPPED IN THE ZONE OF SILENCE FOR ABOUT TEN YEARS, BUT YOU'VE BEEN RISKING YOUR LIFE TO DEFEAT ROBOTNIK FOR THE SAME TIME, COMING CLOSE TO DEATH SEVERAL TIMES, AND UNLIKE THE KING, WHEN TIMES GOT TOO HARD AND TOO TOUGH TO BARE, YOU STILL DIDN'T GIVE UP.

SO, YOU'VE DONE MORE THAN ENOUGH TO EARN THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE WHO YOU MARRY. PLUS, WHEN YOU WERE IN NEED OF HELP, WHO WAS ALWAYS THERE FOR YOU? SONIC, THAT'S WHO! SO IF YOU ASK ME, THE KING IS BEING A JEER. HE SHOULD HAVE MORE FAITH IN YOUR DECISIONS. AFTER ALL THESE YEARS OF FIGHTING ROBOTNIK AND RULING THE COUNTRY, YOU'VE DESTROYED ROBOTNIK AND MAINTAINED THE COUNTRY. ANYWAY, THAT'S JUST MY OPINION. STAY STRONG, SALLY, IT'LL BE OKAY.

JEFF SPENCER  
RENO, NV

WELL JEFF, ROYALTY IS ROYALTY. THE KING HAS CERTAIN TRADITIONS THAT HE MUST MAINTAIN AND CHOOSING A HUSBAND FOR HIS DAUGHTER IS ONE OF THEM. I AM SURE THAT MANY PEOPLE HAVE STRONG OPINIONS ON THIS ISSUE, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU ALL. WRITE IN WITH ANY COMMENTS THAT YOU HAVE.

HEY FREDDY,

IT'S BEEN FIVE MONTHS SINCE I LAST WROTE, SO HERE'S A BUNCH OF REVIEWS. SONIC 59: COOL COVER AND IT'S NICE TO SEE OLD CHARACTERS, BUT AT SOME POINTS, THE ART WAS LACKING. GALAN AND AMASH DREW THE EPISODE OF SALLY FANTASTICALLY. KEN STILL CONTINUES TO INTRIGUE ME WITH ONLY A FEW PAGES TO WORK WITH. NOW ON TO SONIC 60. SO-SO COVER, MONKEY KAHN LOOKS TOO GOOFTY. THE IRON KING STORY WAS POORLY DRAWN. IT LOOKED AT SOME TIMES LIKE BAD "HELLO KITTY" ART. NOW, THE BACK-UP WITH THE KING'S SECRETS REVEALED AND HIS TOTALLY UNFAIR DEMANDS TO SALLY WAS FANTASTIC. SALLY, GIVE UP THE CROWN, THROW OVER DADDY'S MONARCHY AND RUN FOR PRESIDENT. DOWN WITH ROYAL TYRANNY! GIVE ME LIBERTY OR GIVE ME DEATH. GREAT VALENTINO PICTURE AT THE END. I SEE PEOPLE ASKING ABOUT THE OVERLANDERS. WILL WE SEE SOME OF THE GREAT WAR EVER? WELL, I'LL CLOSE HERE. I STILL WANT TO SEE A SPAZ-DRAWN TAILS COMIC OR ONE SHOT. ALSO, PLEASE LET SONIC SHOW SOME MORE EMOTION, PLEASE. ALSO, I CAN'T WAIT FOR THE IMAGE CROSS-OVER.

RICK CAUSEY  
MESA, AZ

RICK, THANKS SO MUCH FOR ALL OF YOUR FEEDBACK. WE WILL DEFINITELY TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ALL OF THE THINGS THAT YOU RECOMMENDED. WE ARE GLAD THAT YOU LIKE SPAZ'S WORK, AND I AM SURE SALLY APPRECIATES YOUR SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING HER INDEPENDENCE.



TO THE SONIC CREW,

THE LATEST ISSUE (#59) WAS VERY INVENTIVE. I WAS WONDERING, HOWEVER, WHERE THAT LITTLE BOMB GUY AND ROBOT WHO WERE IN THE FIRST SPECIAL OF CHAOTIX WENT. THE 2 OF THEM JUST WENT AWAY. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK, THOUGH.

TYLER  
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THANKS FOR WRITING, TYLER. THOSE CHARACTERS (HEAVY & BOMB) APPEAR IN THE BACK-UP STORIES OF SONIC THE HEDGEHOG ISSUES #62-#64. HOPE YOU LIKE THEIR APPEARANCES. I AM SURE THAT WE WILL BE SEEING THEM MORE IN THE FUTURE.

WELL, THAT'S IT FOR THIS MONTH. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR COMMENTS. SEE YOU IN THIRTY. AND REMEMBER...

**UNTIL  
NEXT  
MONTH,  
KEEP  
ON  
JUICIN'!**